The Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) Programs at the Department of Energy

Workshop for Industrial Researchers

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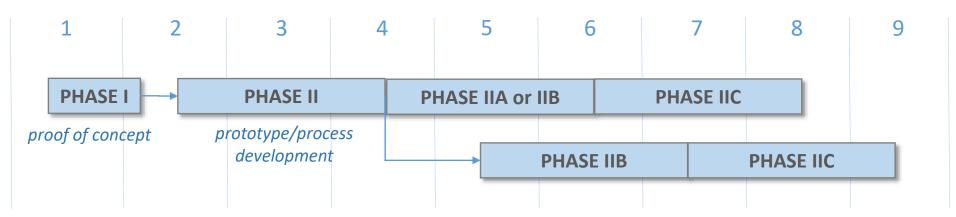
WHAT DO WE FUND?

- Mission
 - Leadership in clean energy technologies
 - Leadership in basic science and engineering in the physical sciences
 - Enhancement of nuclear security
- SBIR/STTR Research Areas (focus on deep tech)
 - Renewable energy, energy efficiency, grid modernization, advanced fossil fuel technologies, nuclear energy, fusion energy
 - Advanced scientific instrumentation in the physical sciences, advanced computing, atmospheric and environmental monitoring, accelerator technology
 - Nuclear nonproliferation, environmental remediation and clean up
 - Recent thrust areas: artificial intelligence, quantum information sciences
 - More details: https://science.osti.gov/sbir/Research-Areas-and-lmpact



HOW DO WE OPERATE?

Year



Phase I

- Two annual Funding
 Opportunity Announcements
- Focused, mission-aligned topics
- Feedback provided on letters of intent
- \$200,000/\$250,000
- 6-12 months duration
- ~ 350-400 awards per year

Phase II

- Phase I awardees apply for Phase II the following year
- \$1,100,000/\$1,500,000
- 2 years duration
- ~ 160 awards per year

Phase IIA/B:

- For projects that require additional R&D funding to transition to commercialization
- \$1,100,000
- 2 years duration
- ~30 awards per year

Phase IIC:

- Pilot program to leverage 1:1 matching funds for commercialization
- \$1,100,000
- 2 years duration

https://science.osti.gov/sbir/Funding-Opportunities

New Phase I Funding Opportunity Announcement Issued 12/14/2020

Topics and Funding Opportunity Announcement can be found here:

https://science.osti.gov/sbir/Funding-Opportunities

- Important Upcoming Dates:
 - Letter of Intent (Required): January 4, 2021
 - Applications Due: February 22, 2021

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FY 2021 PHASE I RELEASE 2

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT (FOA) NUMBER: DE-FOA-0002360 FOA TYPE: New CFDA NUMBER: 81.049

FOA Issue Date:	December 14, 2020
Submission Deadline for Letters of Intent:	Monday, January 4, 2021 5:00 PM Eastern
Submission Deadline for Pre-Application:	N/A
Pre-Application Response Date:	N/A
Submission Deadline for Applications:	Monday, February 22, 2021 11:59 PM
	Factors

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF . . .



Applicants

- Phase 0 Application Assistance program for first time applicants (https://www.dawnbreaker.com/doephase0/)
- Online application tutorials (<u>https://science.osti.gov/SBIRLearning</u>)
- Partnership with DOE National Labs (https://science.osti.gov/sbir/Applicant-
 Resources/National-Labs-Profiles-and-Contacts / and https://www.labpartnering.org/p/)
 - Approximately 1/2 of Phase I awardees collaborate with a research institution and almost 2/3 of Phase II awardees.

Awardees

- Select your own commercialization assistance provider or utilize the DOE Commercialization Assistance Program (http://www.larta.org/doecap). Up to \$6500 available for Phase I and \$50,000 available for Phase II.
- Energy I-Corps training for Phase I awardees

Outcomes

- Public benefits
 - Examples: Advancing scientific knowledge (publications) and DOE mission impact (e.g. reduction CO2 emissions, energy security)
- Sustainable, profitable revenue stream for the small business
 - Early indicators: patents, follow-on investments
 - Commercialization: sales or licensing revenue



https://science.osti.gov/sbir/SBIR-STTR-Phase-III-Success-Stories

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